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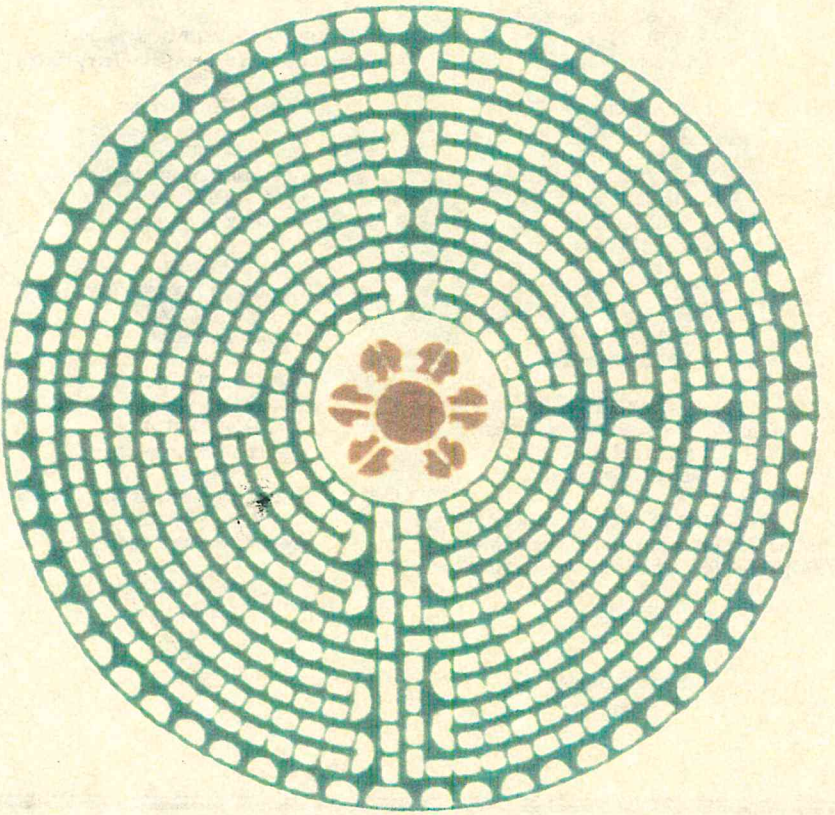

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Submission deadline is the 20th of the month for event announcements, articles, and artwork. Officers reports are due at officer's meeting.

their excellencies progress

Caer Galen A&S/Investiture 2/4/06
Estrella War (Atenveldt) 2/16-2/20

from the knight marshall

Good gentles,

This Sunday, January 15th, Unser Hafen fighter practice will be returning after it's long winter nap. As usual, practice will be at 2 at the CSU field house. I regret to inform you, however, that now that spring semester is upon us, we have, once again, had trouble scheduling the field house for the same time every Sunday. Here is the schedule of time for the rest of our indoor season:

Jan 15 2-5 pm
22 3-6
29 3-5
Feb 5 2-5
12 2-5
26 2-5
Mar 5 3-5
12 2-5
19 3-5
26 3-5
Apr 2 2-5
9 2-5
23 2-5
30 2-5

In service,

Lord Thorvaldr inn Krístní Olafsson
Knight Marshal, Unser Hafen

From the outgoing seneschal of Bofharrach:

Greetings, Everyone!

What an amazing 2 years it has been! I have learned so much while working with these fine folks...their energy and dedication has been contagious, and the way they live the dream is something to behold. I know that Bofharrach will continue to be strong and grow.

So, now is a perfect time for me to take some time off, and do some of the things I've wanted to do both inside and outside the Society. Mind you, this does not mean I'm going away, or slowing down on any activities. It just means this summer I'm going to paint my house!

In Service to the Dream.
Lady Ekaterina Dimitriu

From the Chronicler

Dear Readers,

My apologies for the lateness of this issue. With the scarceness of events this season, I found a lack of things to include in this issue.

One of my finds was the information on the SCA 40 year celebration. It has been a while since they held such a celebration. Many years ago, a number of people from Unser Hafen attended the 20 and/or 25 year celebrations. Our own Sir Kevin, founding Baron of Unser Hafen, had many tales to tell.

The next few years will mark some landmarks. The SCA will be fully 40 years old when the calendar changes to XLI A. S on the first of May. And in just over a year, in October of 2007 Gregorian, our own Barony will celebrate 25 years since it's founding. January of 2008 will mark 25 years of the Tosspot. With these historical milestones looming, I will be mining the back issues of the Tosspot for meaningful tidbits. I will also be resurrecting some of the old classic covers.

Anyone wishing to contribute is more than welcome. The pages of the Tosspot are for the use of the populace of the Barony, a paper archive of the events and creative endeavors of a great many people. Such input as Lord Undwyn's cartoons, Lady Sabha's cover artwork, Lord Robin's series on the English Language, THL Sean's cover Art, the winners of various cover art competitions, tales of war glory, and much, much more.

In Service the Barony,
Lord Robin of Bristol

calendar notes

Bofarrach calendar:

2nd Tuesdays of the month: Officer's meeting at Lord Donnchadh's and Lady Theresa's, 7:00. 1227 8th Street; Greeley, CO 80631. Public is welcome. Garb is not required. Bring munchies!

Last Monday of January, April, July and October: Populace meeting at Lady Ekat's and THL Nikolaos's. 7:00. 182 21st Ave.; Greeley, CO 80631. Potluck. Bring your A&S projects! Garb is not required.

fighter practice, baronial gathering, and baron's whim tourney

Join us on the 1st Sunday of every month for heavy and light fighting,, marshall arts class, Baron's whim tourney, announcements and/or brief court, then we all go out to eat! Garb encouraged
CSU Fieldhouse 2-5 PM

baronial guild gathering

Come join us and work on armoring, your project, or just hang out! Guild Gatherings start at 7 p.m. and run until 10 p.m.

If you want food to eat, bring it and some to share with folks, we will not be cooking. If someone wants to step up to cook, please do so!

Directions at www.unserhafen.org

List of Events

February 4
Arts & Science (Caer Galen) Meenakshi 303-404-3321
February 14-20
Estrella War XXII (Kingdom of Atenveldt) www.estrellawar.org
March 4-5
Outlands Crown Tournament (Citadel) Berold 915-585-3155
March 12-19
Gulf Wars XV (Kingdom of Meridies)
March 18
Winter Wolf (Blaiddwyn) Natasha 505-247-8032
March 25
Feast of Fools (Tygre's Keep) Cecilia 719-494-3484
April 1
Sworded Affaire (Faontaine) Mariah 505-334-1955
April 8
Kingdom A&S (Windkeep) Marguerite 307-214-8093
April 15
Luck of Heroes (Unser Hafen) Nicholas 720-841-6947
May 5-15
SCA 40th Year (Kingdom of An Tir) Sineidin www.40yearcelebration.com

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sunday	monday	tuesday	wedne
			BF Practice 6:30-9 PM Shawsheen E
5 Populace Meeting Fighter/Fencer Practice 2-5 PM CSU Fieldhouse	6	7 Movie Night at CSU "The Vikings"	BF Practice 6:30-9 PM Shawsheen E
12 Fighter/Fencer Practice 2-5 PM CSU Fieldhouse	13	14 Estrella War BF Officer's Meeting Movie Night at CSU "El Cid"	Estrella War BF Practice 6:30-9 PM Shawsheen E
19 Estrella War	20 Estrella War Tosspot Articles Due	21 Movie Night at CSU "Kingdom of Heaven"	BF Practice 6:30-9 PM Shawsheen E
26 Fighter/Fencer Practice 2-5 PM CSU Fieldhouse	27	28 Movie Night at CSU "Lion in Winter"	

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esday	thursday	friday	saturday
1 Elementary	2 Populace Meeting 7-10 pm M.R.S. Clubhouse	3	4
8 Elementary	9 Officers Meeting at Wellmark Keep 7-10 pm	10	11
15 Elementary	16 Estrella War	17 Estrella War	18 Estrella War
22 Elementary	23	24	25

March 2006

			1 BF Gather	2	3	4 Crown Tourney
5 UH Gathr Fighter/ Fencing P	6	7 BF Archer	8 BF Gather	9	10	11
12 Fighter/ Fencing P	13	BF Office	15 BF Gather	16 officers meeting	17	18
19 Fighter/ Fencing P	20	21 BF Archer	22 BF Gather	23	24	25
26 Fighter/ Fencing P	27	28 BF Archer	30	31		

April 2006

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3 UH Gathr Fighter/ Fencing P	4	5 BF Office	6 BF Gather	7 Populace Meeting	8	9
10 Fighter/ Fencing P	11	12 BF Archer	13 BF Gather	14	15	16
17 Fighter/ Fencing P	18	19 BF Archer	20 BF Gather	21 officers meeting	22	23
24 Fighter/ Fencing P	25	26 BF Archer	27 BF Gather	28	29	30

Please report any schedule changes or mistakes to the Chronicler, Lord Robin (gandalf@fcac.com)

Kingdom Arts & Sciences Competition

April 8, 2006
Shire of Windkeep

Site: Laramie County Community College, Student Center
Located at 1400 East College Drive in Cheyenne, WY 82007

Autocrat: THL Marguerite Dinard (Tonda Pratt) (307)214-8093
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Participants: Pre-registration is required. Last day to register is March 24. It can be done online (preferred) by clicking here, or by phoning the Kingdom A & S Minister. Entrant information required includes: Artisan SCA name, Artisan Mundane name, Artisan email (if available), Artisan phone number (if no email), and name of entry including description. All entrants must check in on site no later than 10AM. However, judging will be permitted to start as soon as both judge and entrant are ready.

Fees: Site fee is $10 for adults, $5 for children 6-12, children 5 and under are free. There is a $3 non-member surcharge for all adult non-members. Make checks payable to SCA-Windkeep.

Lunch will be provided by the Windkeep Cook's Guild and is included in the site fee.

Site Restrictions: Site opens at 9AM and closes at 8PM. No pets allowed. Site is absolutely DRY.

Directions:

From the South: Take your best route to I-25. Drive North to Wyoming. Take exit 7 (College Drive exit) East approximately 3 miles to the LCCC Campus on the left. Take the first campus road around to the back side of the row of buildings. Signs will be posted.

From the North: Drive south on I-25 to exit 7 (College Drive exit) East approximately 3 miles to the LCCC Campus on the left. Take the first campus road around to the back side of the row of buildings. Signs will be posted.

From the West: Take I-80 East to Exit 363 (College Drive) and turn south on College. Go approximately 1 mile and LCCC will be on your right. Take the first exit on to campus and go around to the back of the row of buildings. Signs will be posted.

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the "voice" of unser hafen, being a voice herald

By Thl Sean ui Neill the Staffmaker

In the Society there are several types of heralds with a dizzying variety of names and titles; each with their appointed tasks. In reality, there are two types of heralds that need to be considered. The "book" herald and the "voice" herald. This article will deal with the "voice" herald.

The voice herald is a generic title for a gentle that performs the following functions: Court Herald, Processional Herald, and Field Herald. Each of these positions requires a gentle with a loud, clear voice that carries well. The ability to pronounce words and names correctly and be heard over a great distance in all kinds of different situations. Being able to work well before an audience along with a certain "stage presents" coupled with the ability to "think on one's feet" is a definite plus.

The Court Herald is a gentle serving at the pleasure of the Baronage. This gentle acts as the "voice " of the Baronage at court or on other occasions where Their Excellencies wish to get the attention of the populace and have a message delivered orally. When the Court Herald is wearing the Tabard of Office, he is speaking as the "Voice of the Baronage" and as such should be listened to in silence and with respect. Because the Court Herald acts as the Voice of the Baronage, the herald must be careful what is said. Think before you speak is a golden rule for the Court Herald and good advice for all voice heralds on all occasions. The Court Herald also acts as a master of ceremonies during court. He, in consort with Their Excellencies, creates the document that is used to keep track of the order of events at any given court. It is the job of the Court Herald to make court run smooth and on time. A wise man once said in referring to the running of court," You run the court; however, 'They' are the court". That means the Court Herald is responsible for the efficient operation of a court so that Their Excellencies look good to the populace and all who are present at any given official function. The Court Herald also keeps track of all awards given so that a report can be compiled and sent to Kingdom in a timely manner.

The Processional Herald is a gentle given the task of announcing the names, titles, and awards of gentles being presented to Their Majesties or Their Excellencies in court. Another duty of the Processional Herald is to announce the name, title(s), and awards of a gentle being elevated to peerage. This is performed at a Royal Court. It is considered a very good idea to find out the correct pronunciation of a gentles name as well as the correct titles that a gentle may possess before the ceremony in order to avoid any embarrassing mishaps.

The Field Herald usually operates as an announcer at a tournament or other functions not involving court. The Field Herald is also considered an announcer-at-large to pass any messages to the populace at anytime.

40th Year Celebration

Kingdom of An Tir
May 5 through May 15, 2006

Come ye one and all to a 40th Year Celebration of the Society for Creative Anachronism in the great Kingdom of An Tir! This glorious revel will take place in Randle, Washington from May 5 through May 15, 2006, sponsored by the Shire of Fire Mountain Keep and the Barony of Glymm Mere.

The 300 acre site is surrounded by the Cowlitz River, a forest, stunning mountain views, and is five miles from the nearest neighbor. Planned activities include equestrian games, falconry, competitions in archery, arts and sciences and rapier, tournaments, woods battles, tavern, pied piper diversions, a vibrant merchants' row, and much more.

Mundane needs can be met in the nearby towns. See this website for local amenities. Please note: the site fee is split into two parts, an event fee and a camping fee. For your convenience and a faster trip thru the gate, the camping portion and any applicable merchant fees can be pre-paid via mail or paid online. Both merchants and populace must be pre-registered by April 15, 2006. Participants who register after April 15, 2006 will still have the option to pay online, but we will not accept checks if postmarked after April 15, 2006 nor will we accept checks at the gate.

Gentles wishing to offer assistance or to schedule activities may contact the appropriate members of the autocrat team through the website. Although this is technically a "branch" event, many of the officers of An Tir and members of the populace throughout the Kingdom are dedicating themselves to making this one of the most spectacular and memorable experiences since the Kingdom of An Tir hosted the 30th Year Celebration! Join us, won't you? We'll see YOU at the event!

See the web site for full details: http://www.40yearcelebration.com

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